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The remaining chapters deal with man in various aspects, and three chapters are given up to religion as a formative factor.

Professor Macfarlane does not hold the view that religion and science occupy spheres and pursue methods that are largely opposed to each other; he believes that God is the great ultimate energizing unity of the universe, which may be discovered by man, just as the laws of nature are discovered; while he regards Christ as "one and only one of those great human prophets or proenvironers who have successively appeared during the past ten to twenty millennia." A word is necessary here as to the "Law of Proenvironment," an unfamiliar phrase (Chapter IX), defined by Professor Macfarlane as "the capacity of an organism for perceiving and then positively growing or moving toward an environment that is most satisfying to it," which appears to owe its origin to his taste for innovations in scientific phraseology. As may be seen, Professor Macfarlane presses science and religion, sociology and ethics into this massive contribution to the evolutionary problem, and his subject matter "slips from politics to puns, from Mahomet to Moses," like Praed's vicar.

The book may be read with interest in spite of its occasionally cumbrous phraseology, which, for instance, does not shrink from describing Christ and His followers as having "reached the highest stage of proenvironal aspiration in the religion of Patritheism" (p. 749). M. J.

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